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FROM CHRISTIAN
PERSPECTIVE**

Is Krishna the Father of Jesus?

Well, it is often quoted from Bhagavad Gita 9:17 to claim that Krishna is the Father of Jesus Christ. If ISKCON claims as such, we need to verify it first before blindly following anything.

Let us see what "Father" means as per their own Founder Prabhupada.

In the commentary of Bhagavad Gita 9:17, Swami Prabhupada explains:

"In the material existence we create different relationships with different living entities who are nothing but Krsna's marginal energy, but under the creation of prakrti some of them appear as our father, mother, grandfather, creator, etc., but actually they are parts and parcels of Krsna. As such, these living entities who appear to be our father, mother, etc., are nothing but Krsna...."

(Purport of Gita 9.17 by Prabhupada);
source - <https://asitis.com/9/17.html>

So, we get the basic point of what "Father" means from Prabhupada and that is: 1) Creation is the part and parcel of Krishna and therefore 2) everything is Krishna.

Now if we find this basic feature for any other Indian deity, then we can also logically conclude that, that deity is also "Father" as per the own standard of ISKCON.

And this feature can be found exactly in Shiva, so Shiva can also be the "Father" as per the above point. Let me first quote from Shiva Gita.

विश्वं शिवमयं यस्तु पश्यत्यात्मानमात्मना । तस्य क्षेत्रेषु तीर्थेषु किं कार्यं
वान्यकर्मसु ॥ १९ ॥

"One who sees the world as pervaded by S'iva, and sees the Self by his own self, what is there to be done by him in holy places or holy waters or any other such acts?"

(Shiva Gita 16:19, translated by Dr. P.K. Sundaram)

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Here it is clearly said, "विश्वं शिवमयं" (vishwam shiv-mayam) indicates, all the Vishwa or, the World or, the Creation is seen as Shiva. So, the creation is seen as coming from Shiva and so, Creation is nothing but Shiva. Therefore, Shiva also becomes "Father" as per the own standard of ISKCON!!!

Again we can read from Shiva Gita:

त्वत्तो हि जातं जगदेतदीश त्वयेव भूतानि वसन्ति नित्यम् । त्वयेव शंभो विलयं
प्रयान्ति भूमौ यथा वृक्षलतादयोऽपि ॥ २३ ॥

"O, Lord! This world, indeed, is born only from you, in you alone the created beings live always. O S'ambhu! into you alone they undergo the merger, just like the trees and creepers into the earth."

(Shiva Gita 7:23, translated by Dr. P.K. Sundaram)

Prabhupada was saying that the creation is the part of Krishna and the same is said here that the creation is born from Shiva. So, as per the own standard of ISKCON, Shiva is also the Father! So who is the Ultimate Father? Krishna or Shiva?

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So, we have seen that both Shiva and Krishna are defined as 'Father', but Father of Jesus can not be two, but only One. So, it is

contradicted and therefore neither Krishna nor Shiva is the Father of Jesus Christ. The Father of Jesus Christ needs to be understood as per the Biblical scripture and from there, we can know that the Father of Jesus doesn't come on earth, only the Son Jesus comes in physical form. Anyone can claim anything. If I claim that I am the Father of the World, will you accept? No! Even Satan (Devil) can also claim

that he is the Father! So, just claiming by someone can not prove anything. Without any authentic verification, we can not accept such claim!

Point to be noted, it is claimed that only Krishna is the "Bhagavan" and that's why Krishna is the Ultimate God. But this claim is not true. Shiva is also called as "Bhagavan" in Shiva Gita 13:2 where it is Rama invoking Shiva as "**भगवन्करुणाविष्टहृदय**" (bhagvan karunavistha hriday) meaning "Bhagavan whose heart is filled with compassion" (Shiva Gita 13:2).

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भगवन्करुणाविष्टहृदय त्वं प्रसीद मे।
स्वरूपलक्षणं मुक्तेः प्रब्रूहि परमेश्वर॥ २ ॥

S'ri Rāma said

"O Lord of the universe ! Almighty, whose heart is filled with compassion ! Be pleased with me. Tell me the essential nature of release."

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So, now Shiva is also Bhagavan, so why should we accept Krishna as the Ultimate One?

Note that a Krishna devotee can not reject Shiva Gita, because their own Guru Prabhupada has quoted from Padma Purana and Shiva Gita is the part of Uttra-Kanda of the same Padma Purana.

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